

ROANOKE VALLEY HUMAN RIGHTS COMMITTEE MINUTES SEPTEMBER 28, 2011

The Roanoke Valley Human Rights Committee met on Wednesday, September 28, 2011 at 2:00 p.m. at Blue Ridge Behavioral Healthcare, located at 3517 Brandon Avenue, Roanoke, VA.

The purpose of the meeting was to review a request from Blue Ridge Behavioral Healthcare of their intent to participate in a research study being conducted by the American Psychiatric Association.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Jay Fields, Chair
Joseph Kinchloe, Vice Chair
Martha Pillow – Secretary
Nancy Fields
Robin Jordan

DBHDS –OHR STAFF

Nan Neese – Reg Advocate
Deborah Jones - Advocate

MEMBERS ABSENT

Joanne Baker

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF SUPPORT

Betsy Walker

GUESTS

Dr. Fahim Fahim
Child Psychiatrist, BRBH
Helen Lang, Director
Corporate Compliance BRBH
Betty Bingham, BRBH
Office of Consumer Affairs

AFFILIATES REPRESENTED

Marc Bush – Cee-Breeze
Sondra Stephens – DePaul Community Services

1. Jay Fields, Chair called the special meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.
2. Introductions/Citizen Comments
Members of the Committee and providers introduced themselves

ACTION AGENDA

3. Blue Ridge Behavioral Healthcare presented written notice to the LHRC regarding the intent to participate in a research study being conducted by the American Psychiatric Association. The project is the revision of the Diagnostic Manual for psychiatric disorders. The research involves

interviews with participants by a trained clinician. Dr. Fahim attended the meeting and explained how the study would be conducted. He will recruit a minimum of two patients to participate in the 12 week study; preferably one new patient and one current patient. A copy of the Protocols for the DSM-5 Field Trials was included in the packet for review by the Committee.

There is not action to be taken in this matter; however Nancy Fields motioned that Dr. Fahim or a representative return at the conclusion of the study to inform/discuss with the Committee the results of the study. Joseph Kinchloe seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 2:35p.m.

Jay Fields, Chair

Date approved

Betsy Walker
Support for RVHRC